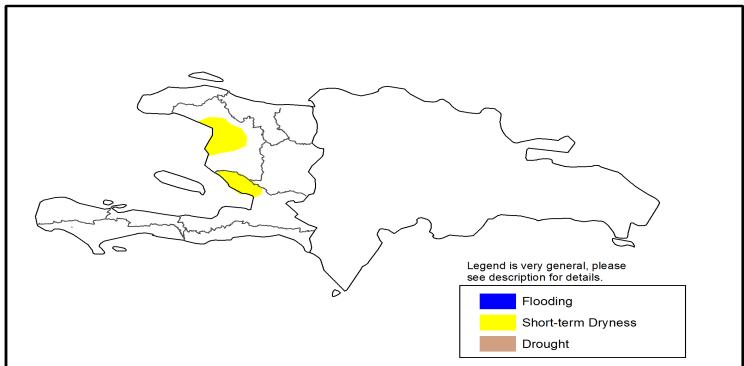






Climate Prediction Center's Hispaniola Hazards Outlook For USAID / FEWS-NET November 24 – November 30, 2011

Light rainfall is expected to continue over Haiti during the next week.



During the past seven days, meteorological conditions were characterized by rainfall suppression over the northern half of Haiti. However, the Ouest and southern Peninsula received light (< 10 mm) rainfall during the past week. Although reduction of rainfall is expected during this time of the year as the second season is ending, observed rainfall since mid-October was far below-average, with widespread cumulative rainfall accounting for only less than 50 percent of the average during the past thirty days. The resulting dryness has already negatively impacted cropping conditions over parts of the L'Artibonite and Ouest departments of Haiti. The continuation of poor rainfall could rapidly deplete favorable ground moisture observed over local areas during the previous month. During the next week, forecasts indicate little to no (< 5 mm) rainfall to continue as a stable and dry air mass is expected to dominate meteorological conditions across the region.